



**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 1634**

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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:  
Runge et al.

Serial No.: 09/832,069

Filed: April 10, 2001

For: Mitochondrial DNA Damage as a Predictor  
of Coronary Atherosclerotic Heart Disease

Group Art Unit: 1634

Examiner: Goldberg, Jeanine Anne

Atty. Dkt. No.: CLFR:183US

**I. AMENDMENT; AND II. RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE  
ACTION DATED APRIL 5, 2006**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Commissioner:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action dated April 5, 2006, for which the three-month date for response is July 5, 2006.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/CLFR:183US.

**A Listing of Claims** is provided at page 2 of this paper; **Remarks** begin at page 5.